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Introduction and first reading
Referred to Environment and Natural Resources Policy and Legacy Finance

1.1 A bill for an act
1.2 relating to arts and culture; modifying appropriation for historical and cultural
1.3 grants; amending Laws 2017, chapter 91, article 4, section 2, subdivision 4.

1.4 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF MINNESOTA:

1.5 Section 1. Laws 2017, chapter 91, article 4, section 2, subdivision 4, is amended to read:

1.6 Subd. 4. **Minnesota Historical Society** 11,815,000 16,305,000

1.7 (a) These amounts are appropriated to the
1.8 governing board of the Minnesota Historical
1.9 Society to preserve and enhance access to
1.10 Minnesota's history and its cultural and
1.11 historical resources. Grant agreements entered
1.12 into by the Minnesota Historical Society and
1.13 other recipients of appropriations in this
1.14 subdivision must ensure that these funds are
1.15 used to supplement and not substitute for
1.16 traditional sources of funding. Funds directly
1.17 appropriated to the Minnesota Historical
1.18 Society must be used to supplement and not
1.19 substitute for traditional sources of funding.
1.20 Notwithstanding Minnesota Statutes, section
1.21 16A.28, for historic preservation projects that
1.22 improve historic structures, the amounts are
1.23 available until June 30, 2021. The Minnesota

2.1 Historical Society or grant recipients of the
2.2 Minnesota Historical Society using arts and
2.3 cultural heritage funds under this subdivision
2.4 must give consideration to Conservation Corps
2.5 Minnesota and Northern Bedrock Historic
2.6 Preservation Corps, or an organization
2.7 carrying out similar work, for projects with
2.8 the potential to need historic preservation
2.9 services.

2.10 **(b) Historical Grants and Programs**

2.11 (1) Statewide Historic and Cultural Grants
2.12 \$4,500,000 the first year and \$6,500,000 the
2.13 second year are for history programs and
2.14 projects operated or conducted by or through
2.15 local, county, regional, or other historical or
2.16 cultural organizations or for activities to
2.17 preserve significant historic and cultural
2.18 resources. Funds are to be distributed through
2.19 a competitive grant process. The Minnesota
2.20 Historical Society must administer these funds
2.21 using established grant mechanisms, with
2.22 assistance from the advisory committee
2.23 created under Laws 2009, chapter 172, article
2.24 4, section 2, subdivision 4, paragraph (b), item
2.25 (ii). Of this amount, \$150,000 in the second
2.26 year is for a grant to the Preston grain elevator
2.27 restoration and recreation project.

2.28 (2) Statewide History Programs

2.29 \$4,055,000 the first year and \$6,945,000 the
2.30 second year are for programs and purposes
2.31 related to the historical and cultural heritage
2.32 of the state of Minnesota conducted by the
2.33 Minnesota Historical Society.

2.34 (3) History Partnerships

3.1 \$2,000,000 each year is for partnerships
3.2 involving multiple organizations, which may
3.3 include the Minnesota Historical Society, to
3.4 preserve and enhance access to Minnesota's
3.5 history and cultural heritage in all regions of
3.6 the state.

3.7 (4) Statewide Survey of Historical and
3.8 Archaeological Sites

3.9 \$400,000 the first year and \$400,000 the
3.10 second year are for a contract or contracts to
3.11 be awarded on a competitive basis to conduct
3.12 statewide surveys of Minnesota's sites of
3.13 historical, archaeological, and cultural
3.14 significance. Results of the surveys must be
3.15 published in a searchable form and available
3.16 to the public free of cost. The Minnesota
3.17 Historical Society, the Office of the State
3.18 Archaeologist, and the Indian Affairs Council
3.19 must each appoint a representative to an
3.20 oversight board to select contractors and direct
3.21 the conduct of the surveys. The oversight
3.22 board must consult with the Departments of
3.23 Transportation and Natural Resources.

3.24 (5) Digital Library

3.25 \$300,000 the first year and \$300,000 the
3.26 second year are for a digital library project to
3.27 preserve, digitize, and share Minnesota
3.28 images, documents, and historical materials.
3.29 The Minnesota Historical Society must
3.30 cooperate with the Minitex interlibrary loan
3.31 system and must jointly share this
3.32 appropriation for these purposes.

3.33 (6) Grants

3.34 \$80,000 each year is for a grant to the board
3.35 of directors of the Carver County Historical

4.1 Society to restore the historic Andrew Peterson
4.2 farm in Waconia.

4.3 \$80,000 each year is for a grant to the city of
4.4 Woodbury to work in collaboration with the
4.5 Woodbury Barn Heritage Commission to
4.6 restore the Miller Barn and historical
4.7 programming at the Miller Barn in Woodbury.

4.8 \$100,000 the first year is to restore the stained
4.9 glass in the historic Fort Snelling Memorial
4.10 Chapel in collaboration with the Department
4.11 of Natural Resources. The historical society
4.12 may work in collaboration with the Fort
4.13 Snelling Memorial Chapel Foundation.

4.14 \$250,000 the first year is for a grant to the
4.15 Fairmont Opera House to restore and renovate
4.16 the historic Fairmont Opera House.

4.17 \$50,000 the first year is for a grant to the
4.18 Litchfield Opera House to restore and renovate
4.19 the historic Litchfield Opera House.

4.20 Any unencumbered balance remaining under
4.21 this subdivision the first year does not cancel
4.22 but is available the second year.

4.23 **EFFECTIVE DATE.** This section is effective the day following final enactment.